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Title : HEARING AID FITTED WITH A RECHARGEABLE
BATTERY AND A METHOD OF FORMING SUCH A
HEARING AID

Docket No. : SCH-12463.001
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LETTER

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Respectfully submitted,

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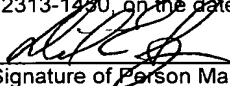
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Title of Invention Hearing Aid Fitted With a Rechargeable Battery and a Method...

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application, or
☒ Application No. 10/716,010, filed on November 18, 2003,
☐ as amended on _____ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/we hereby appoint the practitioners at Customer Number 007609 as my/our attorney(s) or agent(s) to prosecute the application identified above, and to transact all business in the USPTO connected therewith.

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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